

# WHO WE ARE

My name is Jas Rai and my wife is Amanda Rai,

Undergraduate from the University of Waterloo

Doctor of Dental Surgery from the University of Western Ontario, London.

I have lived my whole life in the KW region and am raising three children with my wife Mandy.

We are avid sports parents and live most of life in our minivan!

# 2388 Shantz Stn. Rd. Maryhill Proposal



# ABOUT THE PROPERTY

- Purchased by our parents in 1980
- LAND SIZE IS APPROX 25 ACRES
- ORIGINAL STONE HOUSE AND SHED STILL SIT ON THE PROPERTY
- Situated across from the Maryhill Golf Course
- Not currently being farmed



## 2-3 Soccer fields

- 2-3 soccer fields located behind the tree line (out of view from road)
- Adequate Parking 48ft x 180ft behind farmhouse
- Very conservative approach with no pavement or ANY changes to structures
- Simply creating fields of grass





# THE PROPOSAL

# WHY?

- Soccer is one of the fastest growing sports!
- Demand is growing but the supply of fields (pitches) is not keeping pace
- Local children are being bumped out of community teams and are forced to play elsewhere
- Due to supply constraints and an inflow of kids outside of the township
- Huge growth projected for the area
- Current soccer fields lacking in quality
- Sports teaches: team work, dedication, confidence, discipline, competitive spirit and cultivates friendships
- This equates to better Mental and Physical wellness and less screen time!

# HOW?

- We found credible coaches that we want to support
- Granting them access to fields at their convenience allows them to provide quality soccer programs to the community
- Peter (founder) comes from a mental health background and puts a huge emphasis on treating kids the right way
- Peter runs free soccer clinics for underprivileged children every week
- Grassroots approach, insuring the children's first experiences are fun and enjoyable so they fall in love with the game
- To provide good role models around child friendly soccer

# THE RED SOCCER CLUB

- **MISSION STATEMENT:** Community driven organization, curating the development of young athletes both on and off the field through high quality coaching and mentorship.
- Priority is to provide a family first culture
- Trusted by countless number of families
- It has become a significant player within the youth soccer community
- 15 teams at multiple age groups with nationally certified coaches
- Founders run the soccer program at Conestoga College





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## For the community

- Little Lions program for economically disadvantaged kids
- Free clinics for the kids with professional training
- Home for kids who want a higher level of training
- Collaboration with the community to develop synergies
- Offering more than sports, also personal development
- Potential for local recreational (non-competitive) team with certified, high level coaching
- More opportunities for local kids as well as adults
- Another community club for families in the area

# WHY NOT??

- There are other business in close proximity that were initially on agro land
- Our question is, why are we being told NO when others have been allowed over the years on much bigger parcels of land.
- Ie.: Gravel pit on Forester Road and Maryhill golf course
- Our plan is benign, and completely reversible
- We are not destroying anything
- Simply creating fields of grass will be of great benefit to the kids of the community

# IN CLOSING

- My parents have always wanted to help the community; it would be mutually beneficial
- Our proposal is as close to agricultural as possible
- This is the opportunity to provide the community with the mandate as outlined by the hummingbird goals (township website)
- Try to imagine having a child or grandchild being refused entry to a team in their own township.
- It is unfortunate that children could be denied their place on a team for lack of a grass field(s)!
- Please think about the inconsistencies discussed and realize that this is for the benefit of kids!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION!